



PENINSULA STATE PARK NATURE PROGRAMS

Nature Center open as listed below. Schedule subject to change. To confirm call 920-868-3258. Programs free but park sticker required.

Saturday February 6 Nature Center CLOSED. The park naturalist will be hosting an **information and free nature craft table for kids at Fish Creek Winterfest**. 9 AM – 3 PM.

Candlelight Ski/Hike 5:30 – 8:00 PM. Enter at Highland Rd, one mile north of Fish Creek at Hwy 42 and Co Rd A. Park in Lot 5. State park vehicle admission sticker required. Purchase at Park Headquarters or self-registration station. Ski or hike a one-mile, candlelit trail. A trail pass is not required. Bonfire with refreshments. Pets are not allowed. Event will be cancelled if weather is severe. For current information call 920-868-3258.



Saturday February 13 Nature Center open 12 – 3 PM. **Peninsula Love** 1 – 1:45 PM. Nature Center. Did you know the medieval poet Chaucer is credited with linking romance to Valentine's Day (1382)? At the time, his compatriots believe birds coupled on February 14 and so he wrote, "For this was on St. Valentine's Day, When every fowl cometh there to choose his mate." Find out which park animals are *really* looking for partners now, and which are waiting for warmer weather. The naturalist will highlight owl, porcupines and snapping turtle behavior. Afterwards, visitors can earn their 2016 Chickadee Club Cards by feeding the happy little birds by hand. Will chickadees be singing two-noted songs that indicate courtship is on its way? Come find out. This program is suitable for all ages.



Saturday February 20 Nature Center open 12 – 3 PM. **Tracking Near the Nature Center** 1 – 1:45 PM. Meet at Nature Center. Learn to distinguish between rabbit and squirrel tracks. See which way turkeys trotted. Dress for the outdoors. If weather permits, bring snowshoes (not required). Less than ½ mile.

Saturday February 27 Nature Center open 12 – 3 PM. **Wild About Woodpeckers** 1 – 1:45 PM. Nature Center. Learn to identify at least five common woodpeckers at Peninsula State Park. Find out how "hammerheads" are adapted to for drilling. See evidence of the emerald ash borer, too, by looking at "tasty" trees visited by woodpeckers.

